

Abstract of the Disclosure

Solder spheres which can avoid blackening during transportation have a substantially uniform coating of a lubricant on the surfaces thereof. They are produced by dipping freshly prepared solder spheres in a lubricant solution with a concentration of from 10 ppm to 1000 ppm followed by collection of the spheres and drying. The lubricant is preferably selected from an aliphatic hydrocarbon lubricant, a higher fatty alcohol or acid lubricant, a fatty acid amide lubricant, a metal soap lubricant, a fatty acid ester lubricant, a fluoroplastic lubricant, a silicone lubricant, and a combination thereof.

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